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Please see attached statements from New Jersey legislators.

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January 25, 2002

Ms. Renata Hesse  
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RE: Microsoft Proposed Settlement Agreement

Dear Ms. Hesse

The Microsoft settlement is a nimble resolution that preserves competition, allows Microsoft and its rivals to freely continue to meet consumer demands, and helps define the direction of government's role in the high-tech industry. More than anything, certainty and resolution will help the economy and promote new investment in technology.

In my estimation, it will be very hard to justify rejecting a settlement that is good for consumers, the technology industry and the economy as a whole. Accordingly, I urge you to accept the proposed settlement agreement.

I thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Guy R. Gregg  
Assemblyman  
District 24

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January 24, 2002

Renata B. Hesse  
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**Re: Comments on the Microsoft Proposed Settlement Agreement**

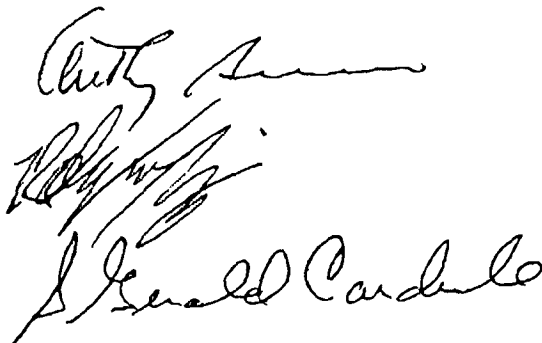
Dear Ms. Hesse:

When word of a possible settlement in the Microsoft case broke, the markets surged. In spite of gloomy economic reports, the news was viewed by investors as a sign that our nation's critically important high-tech industry could move forward. The fact is that news of an impending settlement lifted the share price of technology companies across the spectrum, including Microsoft's rivals. AOL, Time Warner, Sun, Oracle, IBM – they all saw their stocks jump.

The economics of settlement were made clear by the markets. Public sentiment — from consumers to businesses to investors — favors settlement. This fair settlement prevents Microsoft from abusing the strength that it derives from its operating system, but still allows the company to continue to innovate in all areas of software development.

As elected officials from the New Jersey Legislature, we congratulate the Department of Justice for developing a strong but fair settlement and its efforts to put and end to this lawsuit.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Anthony Bucco  
New Jersey Senate  
Co-Republican Majority Leader

The Honorable Robert Singer  
New Jersey Senate  
Co-Republican Majority Leader

The Honorable Gerald Cardinale  
New Jersey Senate  
Co-Chair Senate Commerce Committee